Good Weather Charms

These Good Weather Charms, called Teru Teru Bozu, are traditional Japanese dolls made out of white cloth. Children in Japan often hang these dolls in the window to bring good weather, especially before important festivals. Create your own Teru Teru Bozu for some extra sunshine this spring!

1. Unfold one of the napkins and lay it flat on a hard surface.

2. Take the second napkin and crumple it into a ball. Then place the crumpled napkin in the center of the other napkin.

3. Gather the ends of the unfolded napkin around the crumpled napkin to create the doll’s head.

4. Gently tie a ribbon around the bottom of the “head” to hold the crumpled napkin in place.

5. Use markers to draw a face on your teru teru bozu. Draw lightly and carefully, as the ink may spread quickly!

6. Make two small holes on the top of the head and thread a piece of thin string through them. Tie both ends of string together and hang your teru teru bozu in a window!

SUPPLIES:
- 2 large white paper napkins
- Ribbon (polyester, ¼”-½” suggested)
- Markers
- Thin string

OPTIONAL:
Substitute one of napkin for a fabric square and the other for cotton ball “stuffing” if napkins are too tricky to work with!